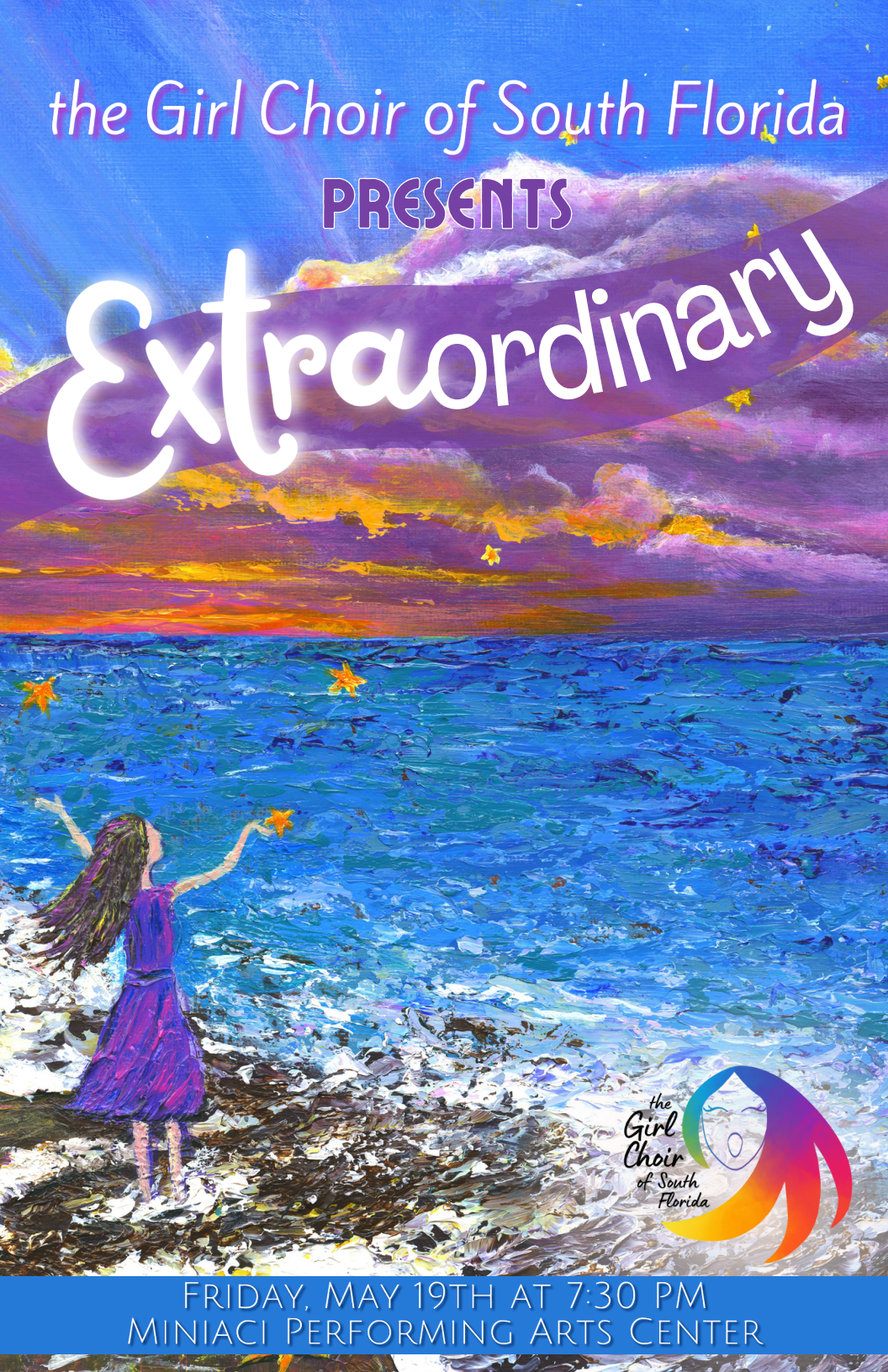


the Girl Choir of South Florida

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FRIDAY, MAY 19TH AT 7:30 PM
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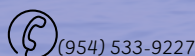
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MEGAN KENNEY

"Growing apart doesn't change the fact that for a long time we grew side by side; our roots will always be tangled." -Ally Condie

HARMONY & CONCERT CHOIRS

Heaven Unfolding.....Andrea Ramsey

text by: Charles Anthony Silverstri

*Heaven is here unfolding,
Where starlight and wonder mingle,
Where sky and earth collide,
In the vast expanses of the universe,
And in the smallest interstitial spaces of cell and atom.
In quiet moments, in soaring songs of light,
In unexpected beauty, in a smile,
In laughter and in love, in harmony (and hope),
In the depths of solitude
As in the joy of fellowship;
In the burnished golden light of autumn,
In Death, and in sweet partings;
Just as in the quickening fire of newfound love,
Is Heaven here unfolding.
Drink deeply!
For widely flows the fountain,
And deep is Heaven, here on earth.*

CONCERT CHOIR

Vichten.....Arthur & Angèle Arsenault, arr. Hart Rouge

Written in the style of an Acadian folk song, the words of Vichten are made up entirely of nonsense syllables, similar to Scottish "mouth music" where the voices are intended to mimic instruments.

Wangol.....Traditional Haitian, arr. Sten Kallman

"The lyrics of this song commemorate the strength and resilience of the Haitian people; they can be viewed as a form of resistance against dictatorship, colonization and enslavement. Specific interpretations of the lyrics vary, with some referring to Wangol as a voodoo spirit, while others may think of Wangol as a friend who the writer has not seen in a while." - Ashlee-Marie Joseph

PRELUDE & PRIMES CHOIRS

Tingalayo.....Caribbean Folk Song, arr. Douglas Gillies

Moment by Moment.....Sherry Blevins

Won't You Sing Along?.....Daniel Kallman

Singing in the Rain.....Nacio Herb Brown
text by: Arthur Freed

CHAMBER SINGERS

Ikan Kekek.....Malay folk song, arr. Tracy Wong

*Pony-fish, croaker-fish,
My dear is very beautiful,
But her laugh is loud (and not graceful)
If you (little one) want to be wise
Come learn (study hard), don't be lazy
The sea is calm, the boat floats towards the bluff
The heart recalls, the mouth smiles,
Kindness is always encouraged*

Lewis.....Moira Smiley

“As a fifteen year old steeped in the beautiful, often harsh texts of Shape Note singing and all the big questions beginning to happen in me, I wrote out these verses in response to thinking about Charles Wesley’s verse “And am I born to die, to lay this body down? And must my trembling spirit fly into a world unknown?” Four years later, I found them in an old diary, and wrote this fuguing tune to them in the house of the Lewis family in Bethesda, MD. In the tradition of Shape Note compositions, I name this piece to honor that place where the music has taken shape.” - Moira Smiley

CHAMBER SINGERS

Walking in the Air.....Howard Blake, arr. Audrey Snyder
from "The Snowman"

Alma Redemptoris Mater.....Chiara Margarita Cozzolani
ed. Meredith Bowen

*Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
Who remains accessible
Gateway of Heaven and star of the Sea,
Give aid to a falling people
That strives to rise:
O Thou who begot thy holy Creator,
While all Nature marveled,
Virgin before and after
Receiving that "Ave" from the mouth of Gabriel,
Have mercy on sinners.*

Life Has Loveliness to Sell.....Mary Lynn Lightfoot
text by: Sara Teasdale

MEZZO & HARMONY CHOIRS

Ka Wiliwiliwai.....Queen Lili'uokalani, arr. Emerson C. Smith

*O lawn sprinkler, Placidly showering with a light mist,
What are you up to, Twirling ever so serenely?
Say there, you, spinning around and around,
When, oh, when will you slow down?
It is such a wondrous thing, Which has quietly mesmerized my
thoughts,
Come now, pause for a while, So that I may have a drink.*

MEZZO CHOIR

O, Colored Earth.....Steve Heitzeg

For A Dewdrop.....Elam Sprenkle
from "A Midge of Gold" text by: Eleanor Farjeon

Bringers of Noise.....Kyle Pederson

Firework.....Katy Perry, Mikkel S. Eriksen, Tor Erik Hermansen,
Sandy Wilhelm, and Ester Dean

HARMONY & CONCERT CHOIRS

The Miller, The Boy, and The Donkey.....Dmitri Kabalevsky
arr. V. Loktev

The Rose.....Ola Gjeilo
text by: Christina Rossetti

Lovely Day.....Bill Withers & Skip Scarborough, arr. Robert T. Gibson

GCSF'S COMBINED ENSEMBLES & ALUM

I Give You a Song.....Amy F. Bernon



PERFORMERS

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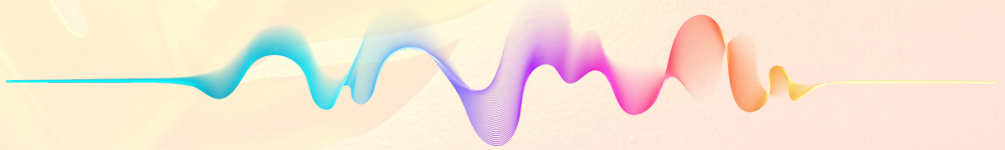
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